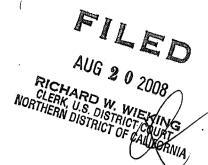
BARRY J. PORTMAN 1 Federal Public Defender DANIEL P. BLANK Assistant Federal Public Defender 3 450 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, CA 94102 Telephone: (415) 436-7700 4 5 Counsel for Defendant SOSA CORDERO 6 7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 IN THE MATTER OF THE No. CR 08-90417 MISC JCS 11 EXTRADITION OF ALFONSO DECLARATION OF DANIEL P. BLANK IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 12 SOSA CORDERO TO DISMISS 13 Daniel P. Blank states as follows: 14 15 1. I am an Assistant Federal Public Defender practicing in the Northern District of California. I have been provisionally appointed to represent the defendant Mr. Alfonos Sosa Cordero 16 17 in the above-captioned matter. I am informed and believe that the following facts are true. 2. Mr. Sosa Cordero is a Mexican citizen who has lived predominantly in the United 18 19 States, specifically in the Bay Area, since approximately 1984. Mr. Sosa Cordero has lawful 20 immigration status here based upon a renewable 10-year business visa. Also living with him here are his wife and his two U.S. citizen daughters. Lately, Mr. Sosa Cordero has spent on average 21 approximately 70 percent of each year at his home in San Rafael and approximately 30 percent of 22 each year in Mexico, often staying at his father's home in Mexico City. For example, in 2007 Mr. 2.3 Sosa Cordero visited Mexico several times in his capacity as trustee of the estate of his sister, who 2.4 died that year. 25 26 DECLARATION OF DANIEL P. BLANK

1	3. On August 27, 2008, Mr. Sosa Cordero made his initial appearance in federal
2	magistrate court on a complaint for provisional arrest with a view toward extradition, having learned
3	for the first time that a warrant for his arrest in Mexico issued on June 20, 2001, on the charge of
4	attempted murder based upon alleged conduct on June 1, 2001. See Attachment A (Complaint). In
5	all the times Mr. Sosa Cordero visited Mexico since 2001 there was never any indication of any
6	outstanding warrant against him.
7	4. Mr. Sosa Cordero flatly denies the charge that he ever attempted to murder, or even
8	assaulted, the complaining witness or anyone else. The complaining witness is known to Mr. Sosa
9	Cordero to be mentally ill, and has a long standing grudge against Mr. Sosa Cordero due to a failed
10	business deal. In fact, Mr. Sosa Cordero was not even in Mexico on June 1, 2001. He was at home
11	with his family in San Rafael, California, on that date. Mr. Sosa Cordero's wife specifically
12	remembers that he was home then because they were preparing for their daughter's second birthday,
13	which was just a few days later. Unfortunately it is not yet clear what other witnesses or records if
14	any will still be available after the seven delay in prosecution to corroborate this claim.
15	I DECLARE under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my
16	knowledge.
17	Signed and dated on the 29th of August, 2008, in San Francisco, California.
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## Attachment A

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I, the undersigned Assistant United States Attorney, being duly sworn, state on

- In this matter, I act for and on behalf of the Government of Mexico ("requesting 1. state"):
- There is an extradition treaty in force between the United States and Mexico, 31 U.S.T. 5059, T.I.A.S. No. 9656, available at 1980 WL 309106, which entered into force on January 25, 1980;
- The extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico provides in Article 3. 11 for the provisional arrest and detention of alleged fugitives pending the submission of a formal request and supporting documents;
- The Government of Mexico has asked the United States through diplomatic 4. channels for the arrest of ALFONSO SOSA CORDERO with a view toward his extradition. The

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United States is treating Mexico's request as a request for a provisional arrest;

- 5. According to the information provided by the requesting state in the form authorized by the extradition treaty, ALFONSO SOSA CORDERO is wanted in Mexico on an arrest warrant issued on June 20, 2001 by the Trial Judge of the Judicial District of Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico in criminal case number 309/2002. In that case, ALFONSO SOSA CORDERO is charged with the attempted murder of David William Lohrey, in violation of Articles 123 and 124 of the Penal Code of the State of Baja California. Murder is an extraditable offense under Article 2, Paragraph 4, Appendix Item 1, of the Extradition Treaty between the United States and Mexico.
  - 6. Mexico's request for extradition is based on the following facts:
    - (1) On June 1, 2001, the David William Lohrey was walking down an alley behind Sanborns restaurant in Tijuana, Mexico. Lohrey later told police that he felt someone pull him from behind. Lohrey recognized that person as SOSA CORDERO, whom he had had problems with in the past and who had previously threatened to kill him. Lohrey told police that SOSA CORDERO started beating him by punching Lohrey in the stomach and saying "Now you are going to die you son of a fucking bitch, this time you are not going to get away from me." Lohrey stated that he lost consciousness as SOSA CORDERO choked him. Lohrey then woke up as Francisco Ochoa Rangel, a man Lohrey had hired as his bodyguard, was picking him up. Lohrey and Rangel sought assistance from police, but the perpetrators fled the scene in a dark blue car that had a California license plate on it.
    - (2) Authenticated medical records dated June 1, 2001 from the hospital that treated Lohrey stated that he had non-life-threatening wounds that required hospitalization.
    - (3) Francisco Ochoa Rangel told the police that he was Lohrey's bodyguard the day that Lohrey was attacked. (Lohrey worked for Servicios de

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Prevencion Profesional, S.A., a security service that Lohrey hired each time he came to Tijuana). Rangel was working for Lohrey when he drove him to Sanborns restaurant for a meeting with two other people. When Lohrey and Rangel were leaving the restaurant, Lohrey asked Rangel to go back inside the restaurant to retrieve Lohrey's cell phone, which Lohrey had left inside. When Rangel emerged from the restaurant, he saw a person strangling Lohrey and two other people beating someone else. Rangel went to defend Lohrey, and the perpetrators fled in a dark blue car.

7. ALFONSO SOSA CORDERO is a Mexican citizen, born in 1955. He is believed to work at 1001 Bridgeway, Suite 449, in Sausalito, California.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned complainant requests that a warrant for the arrest of ALFONSO SOSA-CORDERO be issued in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 3184 and the Extradition Treaty between the United States and Mexico; and that, if on such hearing, the Court deems the evidence sufficient under the provisions of the treaty to sustain the charge, that the Court certify the same to the Secretary of State in order that a warrant may be issued for the surrender of ALFONSO SOSA-CORDERO to the appropriate authorities of Mexico according to the stipulations of the treaty; and for such other actions as the Court at the time may be required to take under the provisions of the treaty and the laws of the United States.

I swear under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

ALLISON MARSTON DANNER Assistant United States Attorney

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 2th day of August, 2008, at San Francisco, California.

JOSEPH C. SPERO United States Magistrate Judge

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